THE NECESSITY

A DRAMA IN
7 ACTS
FEATURING THE
FAMOUS GENERAL UBU,
ATOMIC WAR, THE
KING + THE QUEEN OF
SPAIN, SANTA &
THE HORIZONTALISTS

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ACT 1

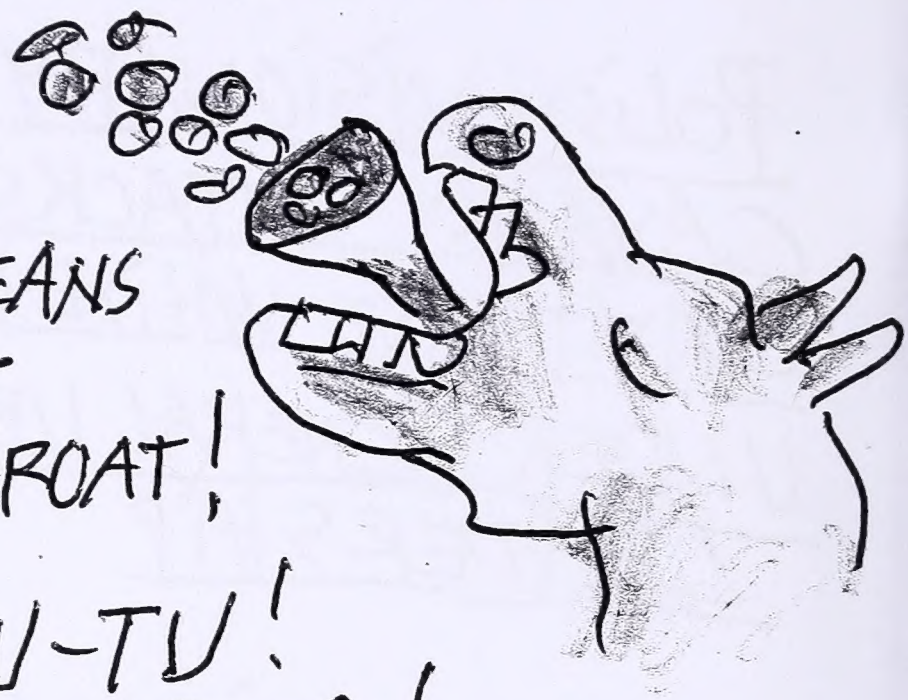
POLISH VISIONARY CAVALRY ATTACKS CAPITALIST WHITE HOUSE UNDER GENERAL UBU'S GENEROUS LEADERSHIP

UBU: SHITHEADS! GET YOUR GODDAM HORSES' TEETH SHARPENED! & FEED THEM BEANS & MAKE THEM FART! TILL THE WHITE HOUSE LAWN IS UNTRESPASSABLE!

CAVALRY: YES SIR! GIMMY THE RASP! OPEN YOUR RICKETY-TICK MOUTH! STUPID, TRA-TA-TA-TA, RASP, RASP, RASP. TEETH SHARPENED, SIR!

UBU: O.K. NOW FOR THOSE BEANS!

COOK: BEANS READY, SIR!
CAVALRY: GIMMY THE FUNNEL!
COOK: FUNNEL READY!
CAVALRY:
POUR THOSE SLIMY OLD BEANS DOWN THAT GODDAM THROAT!



COOK: TU-TU-TU!
THERE IT GOES!
DOWN INTO THE STOMACH'S GASCHAMBER, DOWN, TU-TU-TU-TUH!
CAVALRY: READY SIR, READY FOR FARTING!
UBU: READY, SET, GO!
FART YOU BASTARDS!

CAVALRY: & THEY FART & THEY FART! GET THE TROMBONES GOING! HELP WITH THE FARTING! GO, TROMBONES, GO!

WHITE HOUSE SPECIAL PROTECTION FORCE: NO WAY! YOU CAN'T DO THAT!

UBU: YES, WE CAN!

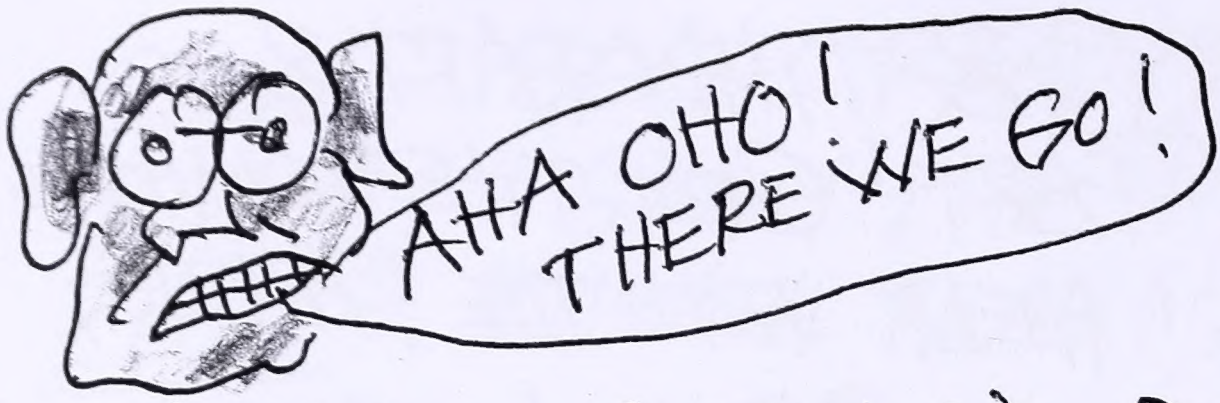
PROTECTION FORCE: NO, YOU CAN'T

UBU: STINK, STINK, STINK! YES, WE CAN!

PROTECTION FORCE: WE SURRENDER, WE LIE DOWN, WE'RE OUT OF HERE!

CAVALRY: HOORAH! WE GOT THEM!

SECRET AGENT: NOT SO FAST! WATCH OUT! WE ACTIVATE COUNTERSTINK PERFUME DISPENSER! EXCELLENT PERFUME, ROSEBUDS IN GARLIC SAUCE.



CAVALRY: SORRY SIR, REPORT NEGATIVE! NO STINK

UBU: NEVER MIND THE STINK! YOU BUMS! GET THE HORSES' TEETH EMPLOYED! BITE OFF THEIR NOSES!

CAVALRY: READY, SET, GO! NOSES OFF TOFFPOFF!

JOINT CHIEFS: WE ADMIT: THEY ARE NOSELESS & THEREFORE USELESS & UTTERLY MALFUNCTIONING!

COMMANDER-IN-CHIEF: SAVE THE, YES WE MUST, WE MUST SAVE THE 'DEMOCRACY! THROW THE ATOMIC BOMB AT THEM!

JOINT CHIEFS: OH MY GOD, YOUR MAJESTY, WE'LL ALL BE DEAD!

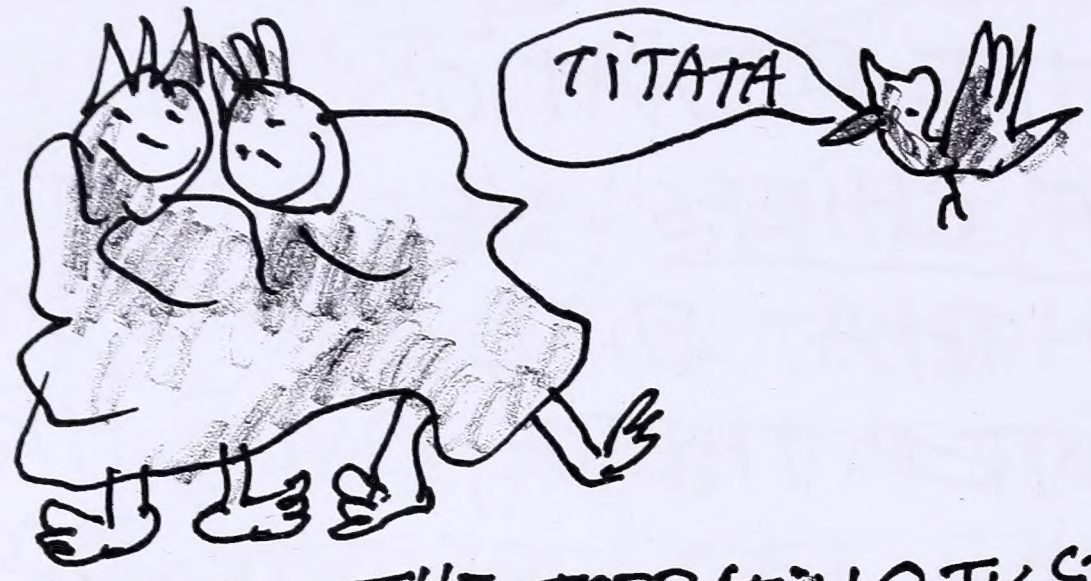
COMMANDER: GET A BUNCH OF

SHOVELS THROW DIRT ON EVERY-THING! THAT'S WHAT YOU DO. & THE RADIATION WON'T HURT.

JOINT CHIEFS: YES SIR! THROW THAT DIRT, MORE, MORE, OVER THERE, OVER HERE! NOW SET OFF THE BOMB!

BOOOOOM!

Act 2



MR. POODLEDO, THE TOPRATING TV STAR & MR. PIDDLEWIT, THE HIGHEST VOLUME ROCKSTAR ANNOUNCE THEIR WEDDING IN THEIR NEWLY AQUIRED CASTLE ON TOP OF MONT BLANC WITH SPECTACULAR VIEW OF THE WHOLE EUROPEAN CONTINENT. AT THE PEAK OF THE CEREMONY, WHICH IS ATTENDED BY 99% OF THE CIVILIZED WORLD THEY ARE ANOINTED & CROWNED KING & QUEEN OF SPAIN. THE PARTY CONTINUES TILL 1 AM, WHEN ONE OF HUNGARY'S FINEST NIGHTINGALES SINGS AN IRRESISTABLE LULLABY, WHICH CAUSES THE 99% CIVILIZED WORLD TO GO TO SLEEP & THUS GENERAL PEACE & ECSTASY ARE ACHIEVED.

Act 3

AT THE WORLD TOURNAMENT FOR THE CHESS CHAMPIONSHIP, THE U.S. CHALLENGES RUSSIA. A HEATED DUEL ENSUES & CAN NO LONGER BE SOLVED ON THE CHESSBOARD. FENCING MASTERS DISTRIBUTE SABRES TO THE CONTESTANTS.

CONTESTANT 1: I ALWAYS KNEW WE'RE THE BEST. STANDING UP FOR THIS CONVICTION & EVEN DYING FOR IT, IS NOT A PRICE TOO HIGH TO PAY FOR THE PRIVILEGE OF REPRESENTING THE BEST, THE RICHEST & GREATEST NATION IN THE HISTORY OF THE WORLD.

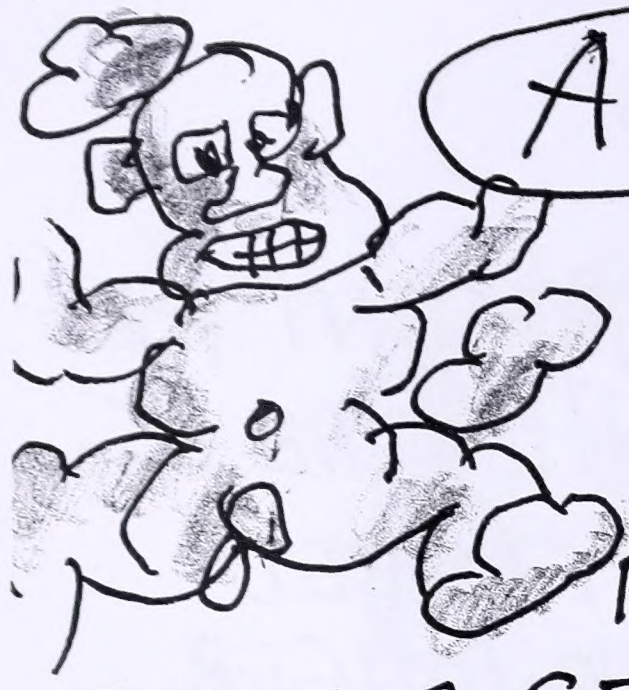
CONTESTANT 2: OUCH!

CONTESTANT 3: OUCH!

CONTESTANT 4: OUCH!

CONTESTANT 5: OUCH!

CONTESTANT 6: OUCH!

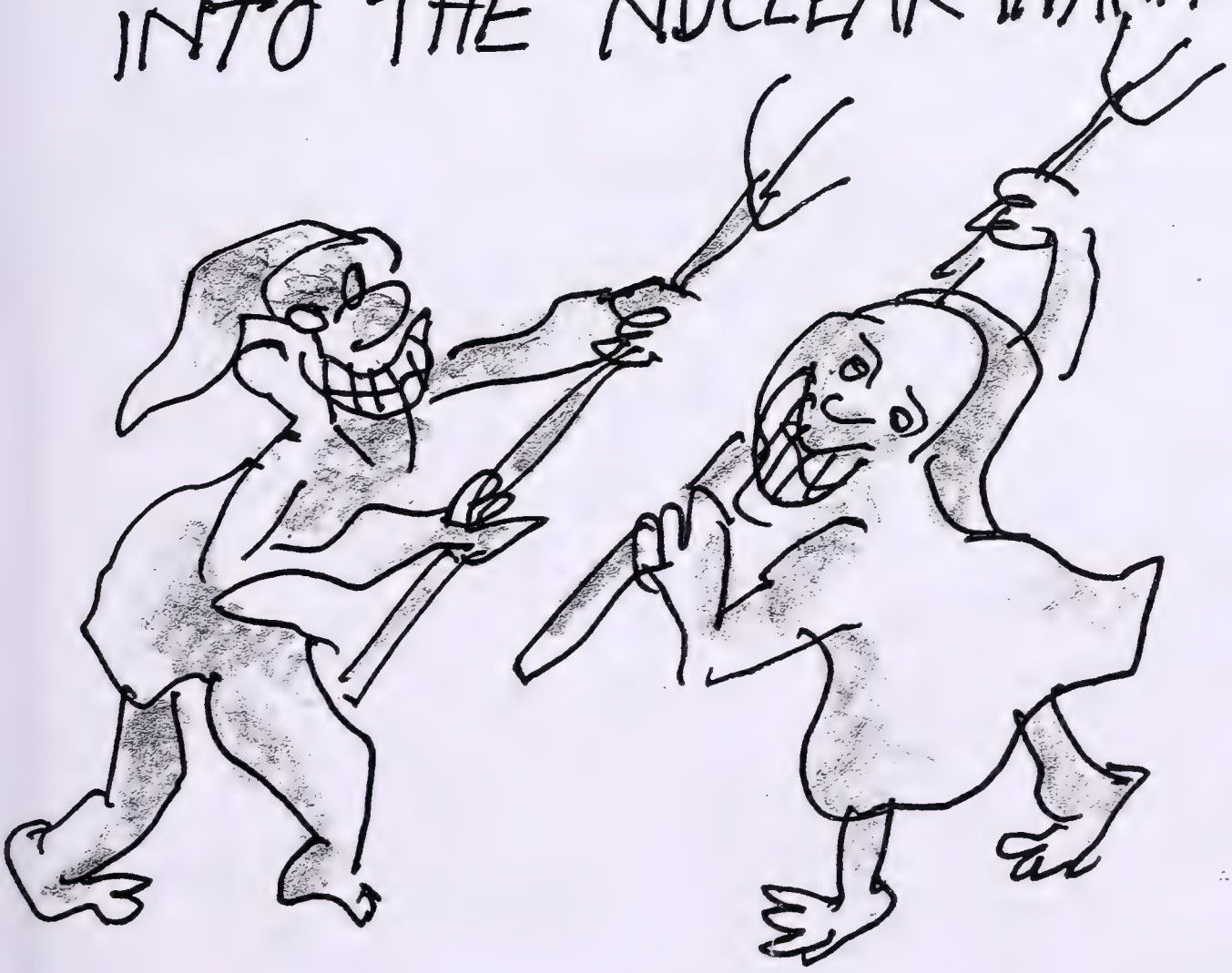


ACT 4

THE RECENT DISCOVERY OF BONES IN THE BLACK FOREST HAS LED TO THE RESTAURATION OF THE BROTHER GRIMM'S FAIRYTALE GIANTS, BY CLONING THEM FROM THEIR DNA. BLACK FOREST TOURISM WILL SOON HAVE TO STOP, TO CREATE A GIANTFRIENDLY ENVIRONMENT THAT ALLOWS THE GIANTS TO EXERCISE THEIR POWER OF INTERFERENCE WITH NORMAL LIFE, LIKE TAKING THE WEALTH OF THE OVERPOSSESSORS & GIVING IT TO THE POOR & THUS EMPOWERING THE BARELY EXISTING UPRISING OF THE POOR AGAINST THE PLUTOCRATS. THESE UPRISINGS WHICH DISCONTINUED IN THE 16TH CENTURY BECAUSE OF BRUTAL OPPRESSION BY THE LUTHERAN

REFORMERS, ARE NOW GROWING AGAIN, AS THE 99% REALIZE THEIR POLITICAL POTENTIAL & WITH THE HELP OF THE GRIMM FAIRYTALE GIANTS HAVE BEGUN THE WEALTH REVOLUTION.

& HERE YOU SEE 2000 LAUGHING PEASANTS, MEN & WOMEN WITH THEIR PITCHFORKS TAKING DOWN A CRUISE MISSILE FORTRESS & PUNCHING HOLES INTO THE NUCLEAR WARHEADS.



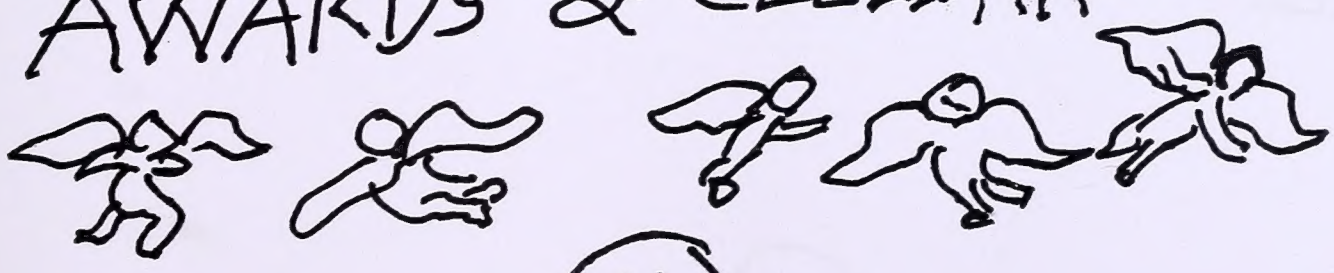
ACT 5

TOTALLY NEW COMPOSERS WRITE TOTALLY NEW SUPERMUSIC IN THE SKY & OVER THE PLANETARY HIGHWAY LANDSCAPE, BY ALIGNING THEMSELVES WITH THE MILITARY. MARCHING ARMIES ON THEIR WAY TO VICTORY, GET THE PERCUSSIONAL FUNCTION IN THE HEAVEN=HELL ORCHESTRA. DRONE BOMBING ATTACKS ARE IN CHARGE OF THE DYNAMICS, THE CRESCENDI & [redacted] DECRESCENDI OF ULTIMATE EFFICIENCY. THE SCREAMS OF THE COLLATERAL DAMAGE VICTIMS & THE WAILING CHORUSSES OF THEIR RELATIVES ARE ASSIGNED THE VOCALIST PARTS. SOLOPERFORMANCES ARE EXECUTED BY POLITICAL

INSTRUMENTALISTS. THE PRESS GETS THE ATONAL SPRECH-GESANG OF THE MODERNISTS.

ACT 6

SANTA WITH HIS BATTALION OF EMPIRE ANGELS REDISTRIBUTES THE EARTH'S WEALTH ACCORDING TO CHRISTIAN PRINCIPLES. ORDINARY CITIZENS ARE LIBERATED FROM THEIR UNNECESSARY BURDENS OF GOODS & SERVICES & THE SPECIALISTS OF OWNERSHIP ARE OBLIGED TO HANDLE THE AWESOME QUANTITIES OF THE EXTRA & THE EVERYTHING, ALLOWING THE REST OF THE CITIZENRY TO CONCENTRATE ON THE ESSENTIALS, THE AFTERLIFE AWARDS & CELEBRATIONS.



SANTA: WHAT'S YOUR EMPLOYMENT.

AUTOMECHANIC: AUTOMECHANIC

SANTA: & AUTOS ARE FOR GETTING YOU FROM ONE PLACE TO ANOTHER?

AUTOM: YES

SANTA: THAT IMPLIES THAT WHERE YOU ARE IS INFERIOR TO WHERE YOU WANT TO BE?

AUTOM: YES.

SANTA: I AM DECLARING THIS INFERIORITY ILLEGAL.

AUTOM: YES SIR.

SANTA: & AUTOMECHANICS WILL BE TRANSFORMED INTO STAYING-PUT MECHANICS.

AUTOM: YES SIR.

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